

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Prausnitz *et al.*

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For: Microneedle Device for Withdrawal  
and Sensing of Bodily Fluids

Examiner: Kremer, M. J.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION****UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in reply to the outstanding Office Action, mailed on April 4, 2005, in connection with the above application. Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.